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In re Application of: Bournnell et al.

Art Unit: 1633

Application No. 09/917,176

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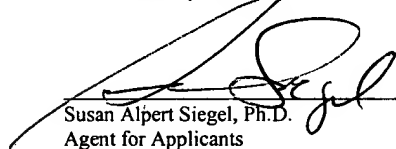
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS
AND SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

This document is submitted in response to the Notice to File Missing Parts, dated December 14, 2001, for which a two-month period for reply was set. Applicants petition herein for a five-month extension of time, and submit the required fee herewith, making the response due on or before July 14, 2002.

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 21, lines 36-39 with the following paragraph:

CE39: 5' AGCTTAGTACTGACGAC 3' (SEQ ID NO: 1)

CE40: 5' CATGGTCGTCAGTACTA 3' (SEQ ID NO: 2)

CE37: 5' GTGGAGACGCGAATAATCGCGAGC 3' (SEQ ID NO: 3)

CE38: 5' GGCCGCTCGCGATTATTCGCGTCTCCACAAAA 3' (SEQ ID NO: 4)

Please replace the paragraph on page 22, lines 31-39 with the following paragraph:

The oligonucleotides used for PCR are shown below: